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PLAGUE-PREVENTION WORK.

PLAGUUE-INFECTED SQUIRRELS FOUND.

During the week ended May 11, 1912, positive diagnosis of plague was made in 18 ground squirrels collected in Alameda County, Cal. The squirrels were found as follows: April 22, 2 squirrels; April 26, 4 squirrels; April 29, 1 squirrel; April 30, 10 squirrels; May 1, 1 squirrel.

DISTRIBUTION OF POISON.

In connection with the making and maintenance of a squirrel-free zone around the cities of California on San Francisco Bay, 8,286 acres of land in Alameda County were covered with poison during the week ended May 11, 1912.

RECORD OF PLAGUE INFECTION.

Places.	Date of last case of human plague.	Date of last case Date of last case of so		ast case dirrel ue. Total number of rodents found infected since May, 1907.		
California:						
San Francisco	Jan. 30, 1908	Oct. 23, 1908	None	398 rats.		
Oakland	Aug. 9. 1911	Dec. 1, 1908 None	do	126 rats.		
Berkeley	Aug. 27, 1907	None	do	None.		
Los Angeles	Aug. 11, 1908	do	Aug. 21, 1908	1 squirrel.		
Counties—	,					
Alameda (exclusive of	Sept. 26, 1909	Wood rat, Oct.	May 1, 1912	206 squirrels and		
Oakland and Berke- ley).	. ,	17, 1909.	,	1 wood rat.		
Contra Costa	July 21, 1911	None	Sept. 23, 1911	364 squirrels.		
Fresno	None	Nonedo	Oct. 27, 1911	1 squirrel.		
Merced	do	do	July 13, 1911	5 squirrels.		
Monterev	do	do	Aug. 6, 1911	Do.		
San Benito San Joaquin	June 5, 1910	do	June 8, 1911	22 squirrels.		
San Joaquin	Sept. 18, 1911	do	Aug. 26, 1911	18 squirrels.		
San Luis Obispo	None	do	Jan. 29, 1910	1 squirrel.		
Santa Clara	Aug. 23, 1910	do	Oct. 5, 1910	23 squirrels.		
Santa Cruz	None	dodo	May 17, 1910	3 squirrels.		
Stanislaus	do	do	June 2, 1911	13 squirrels.		
Washington:				1		
City—		i				
Seattle	Oct. 30, 1907	Sept. 21, 1911	None	25 rats.		

RATS COLLECTED AND EXAMINED FOR PLAGUE INFECTION.

Places.	Week ended—	Found dead.	Total collected.	Exam- ined.	Found infected.
California: Cittes— Berkeley. Oakland. San Francisco. Washington:	do	18 29 9	1 155 2 755 3 1, 609	108 598 1,339	
City— Seattle	do		1,067	1,014	

Identified: Mus norvegicus, 126; Mus musculus, 29.
 Identified: Mus norvegicus, 621; Mus rattus, 4; Mus musculus, 128; Mus alexandrinus, 2.
 Identified: Mus norvegicus, 884; Mus musculus, 270; Mus rattus, 222; Mus alexandrinus, 233.

SQUIRRELS COLLECTED AND EXAMINED FOR PLAGUE INFECTION;

During the week ended May 11, 1912, 367 ground squirrels collected in Alameda County and 1,645 collected in Contra Costa County, Cal., were examined for plague infection. Eighteen collected in Alameda County were found to be plague infected.

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CASES AND DEATHS REPORTED BY CITY HEALTH AUTHORITIES FOR THE WEEK ENDED JUNE 1, 1912.

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City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Los Angeles, Cal	5 1 4 2	1	Newcastle, Pa New York, N. Y. Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa. Rockford, Ill. St. Louis, Mo. San Francisco, Cal. York, Pa.	25 16 3 2 3	6) 1 1 1

PELLAGRA.

During the week ended June 1, 1912, pellagra was reported as follows: Baltimore, Md., 1 death; Lexington, Ky., 1 case; Montgomery, Ala., 1 death; Richmond, Va., 1 death.